

# ANNUAL MEETING OF DELEGATES 2010

## Minutes

Venue: Ascot Park Hotel Oreti Room Time: 7.30pm Chairperson: Brendon Proctor

Date: Friday 1<sup>st</sup> October 2010

Minute Secretary: Gail Poole

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### 1. Welcome

Chairman Brendon Proctor welcomed delegates, Patron John Lavender, Guardians Anne Atkins, Mary Adams, Euan Murison and Lester Truman, NZPCA President Marj Steiner, NZPCA HT Chairman Allan Ferguson and Eventing NZ Technical Committee member John Carmichael to the meeting

### 2. Apologies

Gary Cole (Saddleview), Veronica Wylie (Waiiau), Margaret Frankish (Roydvale), Andrea Dickson (Gore), Glen Morris (View Hill) for lateness, Joan McCall (Patron)

Moved by Blue Clarke (Oxford) that Apologies be accepted / Seconded Euan Murison

**Carried**

### 3. Roll Call –Those present signed sheets at the entrance.

Branches:

Amberley, Balclutha, Balmoral (Nth Cant), Brighton, Castlerock Mossburn, Central Southland, Dunedin, Elderslie Totara, Eyreton, Ferrymead, Gore, Halswell, Invercargill Kennington, Kaikoura PC, Kingswell, Lorneville Makarewa, Maitua, Mosgiel, Oamaru, Otipua, Oxford, Peninsula, Rakaia, Rangiora, Roydvale, Saddleview, Strath Taieri, Te Anau, View Hill, Waiiau (Sthland), Waihora, Waikouaiti District PC, Wakatipu, West Taieri

Guardians – Anne Atkins, Mary Adams, Lester Truman, Euan Murison

Patrons – John Lavender

NZPCA – Marj Steiner (President), Allan Ferguson (Vice President and HT Chairman),

Heather Truman (COM Nelson/West Coast /Marlborough), Geraldine Rae (COM Canterbury)

Guests – Graham Barkman, Eleri Griffin, John Carmichael (Eventing NZ Technical Committee), Adrienne Bishop (DC South Canterbury)

Chairman – Brendon Proctor; Secretary - Gail Poole

The chairman gave speaking rights to Delegates, Guardians, John Lavender (Patron), John Carmichael (ESNZ), Heather Truman (COM), Allan Ferguson (NZPCA) and Marj Steiner (NZPCA).

### 4. Adoption of standing orders.

It was moved that standing orders as presented be adopted

Moved Mary Adams (Guardian) / Seconded Emma Barker (West Taieri)

**Carried**

### 5. Confirmation of minutes

It was moved that the minutes of the previous meeting held on 2<sup>nd</sup> Oct 2009 in the Glyn East Hall, McLeans Island, Christchurch were a true and correct record

Moved Euan Murison (Guardian) / Seconded Fiona McCabe (Maitua)

**Carried**

### 6. Matters arising from the minutes. NIL

### 7. Correspondence:

Nomination for Region 3 Guardian from Central Southland Pony Club

Remits 1 – 4 from Balclutha Pony Club

Remits 5 – 6 from Lorneville Makarewa Pony Club

Remit 7 from Eyreton Pony Club

Remit 8 from the Guardians

Remit 9 from Maitua Pony Club

Resignation from Maureen Chamberlain as Chairperson of the Guardians

Late Correspondence from: NZPCA re Cross Country Heights; Saddleview PC – Gary Cole

It was moved that inwards correspondence be accepted

Moved Sheryl-Anne Newman (Mosgiel)/ Noelle McKenzie (Mosgiel)

**Carried**

8. Business arising from correspondence. NIL
9. Appointment of Patrons  
 It was moved from the Chair that current Patrons Joan McCall and John Lavender be elected for the ensuing year **Carried**  
 It was moved by Sharon McHugh (Central Southland) that Noel Griffin be elected as the 3<sup>rd</sup> Patron of Springston Trophy Seconded by Paula Bell (Invercargill Kennington) **Carried**
10. Election of Guardian:  
 Region 3 Guardian Mary Adams is standing down on rotation and is willing to be available for re-election  
 Region 3: Otago Southland  
 Mary Adams nominated by Central Southland / Seconded Emma Barker (West Taieri) **Carried**
11. Confirmation of entry fee  
 At present the entry fee is \$250 per team  
 It was moved that the entry fee remain the same  
 Moved Jill Ware (Waihora) / Seconded Miles Douglas-Withers (Amberley) **Carried**
12. Notice of Motions - NIL
13. Remits:
- Remits represented for final time – 1 as attached
    - Remit Two (2009): From Oxford Pony Club, Branch of the North Canterbury Club

**Remit from Oxford Branch of the North Canterbury club Proposed to 2009 Springston Trophy AGM. Now presented as formal Remit for second reading.**

The purpose of the remit is for guidance on setting heights, distances, jump efforts and spreads for Springston Trophy course building.  
 Springston Trophy rules state that it is based on NZPCA Horse trials Teams Champs Rules  
**Current rules 13 states**  
 CLASS 1 Max height 105cm max spread 120cm (at highest point) 455 metres per minute  
 CLASS 2 Max height 95cm reduction of spread 425 metres per minute  
 CLASS 3 Max height 85cm further reduction of spread 400 metres per minute

**We would like the rule 13 to read**

**13 The Springston Trophy Teams Competition**

**Heights, Dimensions and Speeds**

CLASS 1 max jump efforts 28 recommended distance 2200 – 2800m  
 CLASS 1 Max height 105cm max spread top 120cm, base 1850 and 455 metres per minute  
 CLASS 2 max jump efforts 26 recommended distance 2200 – 2600m  
 CLASS 2 Max height 95cm max spread top 1150cm, base 1500 and 425 metres per minute  
 CLASS 3 max jump efforts 24 recommended distance 1800- 2400m  
 CLASS 3 Max height 85cm max spread top 1000cm, base 1500 and 400 metres per minute

These numbers of jump efforts and distance are similar to ESNZ rules. It must be remembered that ESNZ rules are for training young horses. In contrast the combination riding at the lower levels at Springston Trophy can be very experienced. It is also a Teams competition not a training event.

These Maximums allow for the very flat courses as found in Canterbury, without restricting a reduction for courses on hill country. Hill country events may require reduction in distance and efforts.

Blue Clark  
 President Oxford Branch of North Canterbury Pony Club

Blue Clark spoke to the remit stating that this is aiming at clarifying heights and dimensions for events and stated that the intention was that these are maximum heights and acknowledged that there is a typo in that the spread dimensions for Classes 2 and 3 should be in mm not cm

Blue Clark (Oxford) moved that this remit be accepted in its second reading

Seconded Dorothy Stewart (Eyreton)

It was asked from the floor that this Remit be read out in full.

Blue Clark (Oxford) read out the remit

It was moved by Mary Adams that the following amendment be made to the remit

“The Springston Trophy competition heights, dimensions and speeds shall be aligned with NZPCA and ESNZ rules for the three levels Open, Training and Pre-Training.”

Seconded Anne Atkins

Mary spoke to the amendment stating that Springston Trophy should be adhering to the NZPCA rules now that they have been finalised.

Discussion on this amendment followed and points raised were:

- Euan Murison (Guardian) pointed out that we voted out a remit that was similar to this amendment and this is against the rules of Springston Trophy as it states that it is not to be bought back to the AGM for 2 years and that this is not just about heights.
- The Chairman reminded the meeting that this was an amendment to the remit and not a new remit.
- Noel Griffin (Kingswell) stated that this is not the same as the remit from last year
- Allan Ferguson (NZPCA) explained that there has been a working party between NZPCA and ESNZ Eventing and that they have achieved a total alignment of rules for eventing except the speed of Open. The Rationale for this from the working party is that riders compete at both NZPCA events and ESNZ events and can now compete under the same set of rules
- John Carmichael (Eventing NZ) ratified Allan Ferguson’s remarks about the working party and the alignment of the rules
- Lynda Bateman (Balclutha) spoke regarding a letter circulated to Area’s, Clubs and Branches from NZPCA which asks all horse trials events to be run under NZPCA HT rules and if not run under these rules the events will not have insurance cover under the NZPCA Policy.
- Chairman read the letter to Springston Trophy from NZPCA regarding adhering to NZPCA Rules and said Insurance Policy

Chairman accepts the amendment and asks if there is any further discussion to be held.

Mary Adams (Guardian) states that she has no further information to pass on.

Request from the floor for the amendment to be read out which it was and Mary Adams ratified the rationale that this is to align Springston Trophy with NZPCA HT rules.

Chairman asked for the amendment to be voted on by show of hands

For: -- 37 Against: -- 20

**Carried**

Chairman explained that this now alters the original remit so that the amendment now becomes the remit.

Remit was read out

“The Springston Trophy competition heights, dimensions and speeds shall be aligned with NZPCA and ESNZ rules for the three levels Open, Training and Pre-Training.”

Chairman asked for the remit to be voted on by show of hands

For: -- 37 Against: -- 22

**Carried**

Chairman explained that this will now alter Rule 13 for Springston Trophy and will be the rule for Springston Trophy 2011. Guardians to alter the rules accordingly

- Remits presented for the first time;

**Remit 1** : from Balclutha Pony Club, Branch of South Otago Pony Club

**Motion**

That there is a 50% financial penalty applied for late entries and a set date for late entries to no longer be accepted.

**Background to motion**

Teams are being entered after the closing date which is unfair on the teams that do enter on time. Organizing committees then have to make decisions about accepting late entries, which is inconsistent across organizing committees. As soon as a team's entry is accepted after the closing date, the organizing committee is obliged to accept all other late entries regardless of the amount of time left till the competition.

**Intention of motion**

To encourage teams to enter on time.

To have consistency across organizing committees for entry rules.

Lynda Bateman (Balclutha) spoke to the remit explaining that the rationale behind the remit was to encourage all teams to get entries in on time and said that NZPCA have introduced penalties for events run by NZPCA.

Moved by Lynda Bateman (Balclutha) that the remit be accepted  
 Seconded Lester Truman (Guardian)

Discussion on this remit followed and points raised were:

- Emma Barker (West Taieri) – It should be up to the Organising Committee to make a decision on whether late entry penalties should apply to entries.
- ST 2010 Secretary was asked for comment – Gail Poole read from entry data that there were 10 teams that submitted late entries and if they weren't accepted we would only have 20 teams competing. Most were late as they were chasing signatures and doubts that a monetary penalty would make any difference. Of the 10 late, 8 were composite teams.

Noel Griffin (Kingswell) moved that

"The Organising Committee have the right to charge late fees. The amount to be decided by the Organising Committee."  
 Seconded by Allan Pine (Kingswell)

Discussion on this amendment followed and points raised were:

- Ross Farquhar (West Taieri) – we should put a maximum so that Organising Committees don't charge unreasonable amounts
- Dorothy Stewart (Eyreton) – leave it to the Organising Committee to accept entries as it could add to cost

Chairman asked for a vote on the amendment by show of hands

For: -- 24 Against: -- 14

**Carried**

Chairman explained that this now becomes the remit

"The Organising Committee have the right to charge late fees. The amount to be decided by the Organising Committee."

The Chairman asked for a vote on the remit by show of hands

For: -- 37 Against: -- 22

**Carried**

Chairman explained that this will now be taken to the 2011 AGM for its second reading

**Remit 2** ; from Balclutha Pony Club, Branch of South Otago Pony Club

**Motion**

That there is a set date for late nominations to no longer be accepted.

**Background to motion**

Teams are being nominated after the closing date which is unfair on the teams that do nominate on time. Organizing committees then have to make decisions about accepting late nominations, which is inconsistent across organizing committees. As soon as a team's nomination is accepted after the closing date, the organizing committee is obliged to accept all other late nominations even if they are nominated after the closing date for entries.

### **Intention of motion**

To encourage teams to nominate on time.

To have consistency across organizing committees for nomination rules.

Lynda Bateman (Balclutha) was asked to speak to the remit. - **Remit Withdrawn**

**Remit 3** ; from Balclutha Pony Club, Branch of South Otago Pony Club

**Motion:** That combinations (Horse and rider) have completed two events at the height required to be a member of a team entered.

### **Background to motion**

Borrowed riders have to have completed the height twice to be a member of a team.

It is unfair on a borrowed rider to have a place in a team and then find out other members of the team have not completed the height twice. (Implying the team is not competitive.)

There is also a safety issue for combinations who ride at Springston Trophy without experience at the height required.

Dispensation could be given for genuine cases for riders who have experience at the height required on a new mount, which has also completed the required height.

### **Intention of motion**

To bring the ruling in line with the one for borrowed riders.

To encourage combinations to gain the necessary experience to be able to ride safely at the required height.

Lynda Bateman (Balclutha) Spoke to the remit explaining the rationale that there is already a rule for borrowed riders to meet and this would bring other riders in line with this rule. Plus it would encourage combinations to gain the necessary experience to be able to ride safely at the required height.

Lynda Bateman (Balclutha) moved that this remit be accepted  
Seconded Mary Adams (Guardian)

Discussion on this amendment followed and points raised were:

- Euan Murison (Guardian) – as a past Organising Committee member he supports this remit
- Miles Douglas-Withers (Amberley) – It doesn't state a date. Is it by close of entries or by start of competition?
- Mary Adams (Guardian) asks for clarification that 2 completed heights means that they have completed a live round and not just started at that height. Lynda Bateman (Balclutha) replied that yes that was the intent of the remit.
- Anne Atkins (Guardian) wants it clarified that currently borrowed riders do have to meet this requirement and be signed off by their Branch? Lynda Bateman (Balclutha) replied that yes this was already in the rules.
- Dorothy Stewart (Eyreton) agrees but doesn't want to remove the onus on Branch signatories from signing as riders still need to be safe.
- Gail Poole (ST 2010 Secretary) stated that some combinations were withdrawn from teams this year as Branch signatories deemed the combination to be unsafe so this system is still working OK.
- Jess Sandall (Roydvale) – would also include completing at a height higher than the one entered so would still qualify.

Chairman asked that the remit be voted on by show of hands

For: -- 43      Against: -- 9

**Carried**

Chairman explained that Remit 3 will now be taken to the 2011 AGM for its second reading

**Remit 4** ; from Balclutha Pony Club, Branch of South Otago Pony Club

### **Motion**

That the Composite Teams entry closing date is two weeks later than other teams.

### **Background to motion**

Sometimes riders expecting to ride for a composite team are needed for Branch teams, at the time of entry, which leaves gaps in the composite team. This would allow for these composite teams to borrow riders from the borrowed rider register.

### **Background to motion**

To give the opportunity for as many borrowed riders as possible to be placed in teams.  
To fill gaps in composite teams so the teams are competitive.

Lynda Bateman (Balclutha) was asked to speak to the remit and feels that Remit 8 says it better  
**Remit Withdrawn**

**Remit 5** ; from Lorneville Makarewa Pony Club, Branch of Southland Pony Club

### **Motion**

THAT Entries for the Competition Rule 6.2 be amended from  
'TWO RIDERS FROM CLASS I SENIOR 20 years and under'  
to:

'TWO RIDERS FROM CLASS I SENIOR Riders 17 as at the first of August in the year in which the Springston Trophy is held to the end of the season they reach the age of 21. The season being from the 1 August until the 31 July the following year.'

Julie McRae (Lorneville Makarewa) spoke to the remit and explained the rationale that this would mean more riders would be able to compete and would increase the number of senior riders available and would bring this in line with other NZPCA events that have adopted this rule.

Julie McRae (Lorneville Makarewa) moved that this remit be accepted  
Seconded by Fiona McCabe (Mataura)

Discussion on this Remit followed and points raised were:

- Euan Muirson (Guardian) – This would mean that a rider can't ride up an age group as there is a bottom line of 17 yrs, NZPCA rules are the age as of the first day of competition.
- Heather Truman (COM) – the date of 1<sup>st</sup> August is the 'age as of' date rule in place already – you can compete as a 21 yr old as long as you turn 21 after the 1<sup>st</sup> August.
- John Lavender (Patron) – this would mean an unequal balance of how long a rider is eligible for each age group. 5 yrs for a Senior, 3 yrs for an Intermediate and whatever for Junior as to whatever their capabilities are. John recommends the remit be withdrawn or re-written

Julie McRae (Lorneville Makarewa) requests that this remit be withdrawn  
Secunder Fiona McCabe agrees  
**Remit Withdrawn**

**Remit 6** ; from Lorneville Makarewa Pony Club, Branch of Southland Pony Club

### **Motion**

THAT Rule 6.2.1. Be amended from 'Age of rider shall be as at 1st August each year',  
to: 'Age of rider as at 1<sup>st</sup> of August each year, or for Senior Riders: 17yrs as at the first of August in the year in which the Springston Trophy is held to the end of the season they reach the age of 21. The season being from the 1 August until the 31 July the following year'

Explanation: This would align this competition with other disciplines/competitions who have already embraced this change i.e. NZPCA Horse Trials Rules (Rule 23 Entry Criteria B. Age Limits (ii)).

Julie McRae (Lorneville Makarewa) was asked to speak to the remit - **Remit Withdrawn**

**Remit 7** ; from Eyreton Branch of the North Canterbury Pony Club

### **Proposal**

That the position of the fourth Guardian from COM be removed.

### **Reason**

This position was held by the most senior South Island member of the NZPCA Committee of Management. Under the way forward there will be no Committee of Management reps and no requirement for Board members to be from the South Island. No other event outside Horse Trails and Dressage champs has had a requirement to have a COM rep.

Neither Show Jump Champs nor Timberlands has had COM reps. Springston only had 3 Guardians up until 2004. Three is also a better number to get a definitive vote than Four. It is also one less official the hosts need to look after.

Therefore we feel it is better to remove this position.

The present rule reads.

10.2. The Executive of the Competition will be known as The Guardians. It will consist of the Senior South Island member of the NZPCA Committee of Management, who will be the Convener and ex-officio member of the Executive Committee, also three elected members who will hold Office for a period of three years. If an elected member resigns outside an election year, the AGM will elect a replacement at the first AGM following the resignation. The South Island will be divided into three Springston Geographical Regions with one Guardian from each Region being elected on a rotational basis every three years as follows: (2005)

The proposed rule would read.

10.2. The Executive of the Competition will be known as The Guardians. It will consist of three elected members who will hold Office for a period of three years. One guardian will be appointed by the Guardians as Convener after the AGM for the following year. If an elected member resigns outside an election year, the AGM will elect a replacement at the first AGM following the resignation. The South Island will be divided into three Springston Geographical Regions with one Guardian from each Region being elected on a rotational basis every three years as follows: (2005)

Dorothy Stewart (Eyreton) spoke to the remit and feels that it is self explanatory and that if there was no COM there would be 3 only Guardians

Dorothy Stewart (Eyreton) moved that the remit be accepted  
Seconded Blue Clark (Oxford)

General discussion on this remit followed

Fiona McCabe (Mataura) moved the following amendment

"That we replace the COM Guardian with someone from the Board of NZPCA or their appointee"

Seconded Lester Truman (Guardian) "

Discussion on this amendment followed and points raised were:

- Sheryl-Anne (Mosgiel) – We now have an amendment in opposition to the remit
- John Lavender (Patron) – An Appointee may not be representative as a Guardian
- Euan Murison (Guardian) – Other similar groups don't have a COM on their committee. Three is a good number for decision making
- Liz Thomas (View Hill) – This may give too much power to too few people. Maybe two board members would mean more wise people. We may need this protection in the future.
- Mary Adams (Guardian) – I have appreciated the support from the COM Guardian with advice and support.
- Noel Griffin (Kingswell) – Springston Trophy is totally different to any other competition in New Zealand apart from the South Island Show Jumping Champs. Others like

Timberlands and NI Training are run by Clubs, the same Club each time. This is an administration remit and only has to be passed at one meeting.

- Lester Truman (Guardian) – I remember times when the NZPCA COM has helped in a time of crisis and it is good to have a direct line to COM.

Chairman asked that the amendment be voted on by a show of hands

For: -- 43 Against: -- 5 (1 abstention from Anne Atkins)

**Carried**

The amendment now becomes the remit which was read out

“That we replace the COM Guardian with someone from the Board of NZPCA or their appointee”

Chairman asked that the remit be voted on by simple voice vote

(1 abstention from Anne Atkins)

**Carried**

Chairman noted that as this affects administration rule 10.2 it will now become the rule and will not need to be presented for a second time and that the Guardians will alter the rules accordingly and replace the words, within rule 10.2, 'the Senior South Island member of the NZPCA COM' to read 'a member of the Board of NZPCA or their appointee'

### **Remit 8** ; from the Guardians

Proposed Remit Re Entries of composite teams

Following a discussion Topic raised at the 2007 AGM by Jan Swarbrick that Composite teams need to be allowed extra time to enter teams. North Canterbury undertook to accept late entries. This was carried on by Canterbury in 2009. It was found that this worked well and got several more teams into the competition.

#### Reason

Composite teams are often made up of riders that would have been in a second branch team or alternatively several branches, who no longer have enough riders to make up a team of their own, can then work together to make a team. Composite teams can not start to make up a team until all Branch teams have been entered due to branches holding onto their riders until the very last minute. In addition Composite teams have more forms to fill in and often require several different DC's to sign off the teams. It is also required that they should be signed by the regions Guardian, This also takes more time.

Proposed rule would replace rule 6.2

Existing rule reads

6.2. All entries by Teams will be made by a date notified by the Organising Committee. A TEAM or TEAMS (not exceeding TWO) will comprise of (2001): ...

Proposed rule would read...

6.2. All entries by Branch or Club Teams will be made by a date notified by the Organising Committee.

Composite teams will be allowed an extra week to enter, but should notify the Organising Committee of their intent to enter as early as possible. A TEAM or TEAMS (not exceeding TWO) will comprise of (2001): ...

Euan Murison (Guardian) spoke to the remit and explained that it would give composite teams more time to get entries signed as they often had to whiz around the airwaves through several head coaches and DC's plus a Guardian.

Euan Murison (Guardian) moved that the remit be accepted

Seconded by Anne Atkins (Guardian)

Chairman asked that the remit be voted on by a simple voice vote

**Carried**

Chairman explained that this is not an Administration rule but affects Rule 6.2 so Remit 8 will now be taken to the 2011 AGM for its second reading

### **Remit 9** ; from Matura Pony Club

#### Motion:

That the custom of having two dressage judges per arena be ceased and having one judge per arena suffice

#### Reason

With the changing times it is becoming increasingly difficult to get dressage judges and the majority of the time there is very little difference between the two judges marks.

Fiona McCabe (Mataura) spoke to the remit and said it was extremely difficult this year to get list dressage judges as there was a major dressage competition running in Christchurch, Friday is a work day and although she rang judges as far away as South Canterbury she still struggled to get the 12 required.

Fiona McCabe (Mataura) Moved that the remit be accepted  
Seconded Sharon McHugh (Central Southland)

Discussion on this remit followed and points raised were:

- Chairman explained it is not in the rules but is in the handbook for organisers.
- Jenny Ward (Kaikoura) said that she has been assured there will be plenty of Dressage Judges from Canterbury for next years Springston trophy in Kaikoura
- Euan Murison (Guardian) – it is a rule under NZPCA Champs
- Dorothy Stewart (Eyreton) – Kaikoura not worried so no problem
- Sheryl-Anne (Mosgiel) – This is a premier Horse Trials competition and it is preferable to have 2 dressage judges

Chairman asked that the remit be voted on by show of hands

For: -- 8    Against: -- 51

**Remit Defeated**

- Topic for discussion - none

#### 14. Amendment to the rules – NIL

#### 15. Springston Trophy

##### 15.1 - 2011 Host – Kaikoura

Jenny Ward spoke about the plans under way for the BP2GO Kaikoura Springston trophy 2011 in Kaikoura and invited all Branches to send teams along. It will be on 14<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> October due to late holidays and the Rugby World Cup. The 1<sup>st</sup> newsletter will be out soon and as it is only a small town, book accommodation quickly.

##### 15.2 - 2012 Host

Correspondence from Saddlevue Pony Club President Gary Cole was read out which expressed an interest in hosting Springston Trophy 2012 and would be able to confirm their bid by the end of March 2011.

Sharyn Shaw (Waihora) read out a presentation from Waihora Pony Club registering their interest in hosting Springston Trophy 2012 on their grounds at Waihora Park Reserve. Their proposal would include other Christchurch Branches coming on board to run certain elements of the event and expect to be able to confirm this by the end of November 2010.

Discussion on these proposals followed and points raised were:

- Chairman recommended that this is left till next years AGM to decide
- Anne Atkins (Guardian) stated that 1 year is not enough time to organise. She asks that the meeting give the Guardians the authority to make the final decision once plans are firmed by both Clubs.

Noel Griffin moved that

"The decision on a venue for 2010 Springston Trophy be left to the Guardians and be made by 30<sup>th</sup> November 2010."  
Seconded April Fitzjohn (View Hill)

Discussion on this motion followed and points raised were:

- Waihora seems to be further on and have secure grounds
- Su Mathias-Reed (Dunedin) - Saddlevue are negotiating over one paddock and that they are  $\frac{3}{4}$ 's guaranteed. They have formed a trust and the cross country course will be built by that trust regardless
- Anne Atkins (Guardian) warns that March is a long way from 30<sup>th</sup> November and are we giving both Clubs equal opportunity to confirm?
- Su Mathias-Reed (Dunedin) feels that this may be a very short time frame for Saddlevue

Lester Truman moves an amendment to the motion

"The decision on a venue for 2010 Springston Trophy be left to the Guardians and be decided by 1<sup>st</sup> February 2011."  
Seconded Lindsay Carruthers (Strath Taieri)

Chairman asked that the amendment be voted on by simple voice vote

**Carried**

The amendment now become the Motion and the Chairman asks that the motion be voted on by simple voice vote

**Carried**

#### 16. 2011 South Island Pony Club Show Jumping Championship

John Lavender spoke on behalf of the organising committee of the 2011 South Island Pony Club Show Jumping Championship and invited all Branches to send teams to Waimate. The first newsletter and nomination form is out. The event is at the Waimate Showgrounds on 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> January 2011. Horses can be accommodated on site or in neighbouring paddocks. Teams can camp out at the showgrounds or book motel accommodation in Waimate.

#### 17. General Business

17.1 Horsemastership Trophy – Heather Truman (COM) moves that

"We include all Trophy winners in the Organising Committee's report to the Guardians."

Seconded Mary Adams (Guardian)

Rationale: ST 2010 Secretary explained that she sent out many emails searching for the Horsemastership Trophy this year to ensure it was with the committee for presentation. No one seemed to know where it was as it was not recorded anywhere.

Heather Truman (COM) spoke to say that she knew who had won it and knew that they weren't sending a team this year and knew that the family involved last year had actually left pony club and the branch would not be aware that they had the trophy so she personally retrieved it. This may not have happened if it had been another branch that won as she personally knew these people

Chairman asked that the motion be voted on by simple voice vote.

**Carried**

17.2 Noel Griffin (Patron) Thanked the meeting for the privilege of being nominated and accepted as a Patron of Springston Trophy and said he is proud to be involved

17.3 John Lavender (Patron) thanked the delegates for their support in him accepting as a Patron for another year

17.4 Tom Sharp (Wakouaiti) moved a vote of thanks to the Chairman for chairing the meeting

Meeting closed at 9.24pm